Social and Personal

Mrs. William A. Anderson, the wife of the Attorney-General, will be at home to-day from 4 to 6 P. M., in honor of the Misses Anderson and Miss Ronald-

the Misses Anderson and Miss Ronaldson.

The reception will be held at No. 108 Fifth Street. Parlors, hall and diningroom will show abundant and artistic decoration in the Christmas colors. Holly sprays with red berries will frame doorways, bank mantels, encircle pictures and fill satisfactor, with the white berries gleaming like pearls from their leaf foliage, will be suspended from chandeliers with red satin ribbons.

The table will have a star-shaped centerplece of holly and mistietee. White ribbons will extend diagonally across the opposite corners and he caught with asparagus forn and holly to simulate the handles of a Christmas basiet, the table with its good cheer, symbolizing the basket.

Although the "at home" is informal in its nature, about two hundred invitations have been sent out and many of the senators, legislators and especially the unmarried male contingent of the General Assembly will be among those who will call to pay their respects to the ladies.

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In the front parlor guests will be welcomed by Mrs. Edward T. Crump, Mrs. William A. Anderson, Mrs. William Cooke, of Baltimore; Misses Anderson and Miss Ronaldson. Mrs. Lewis Cattell Williams and Mrs. S. Horace Hawes will preside at the chocolate and coffee tables, and the receiving party for the inner drawing-room will include Miss Lucy Coles, of Albemarle county; Miss Bernard Cocke, Miss Gretchen, Nolting, Miss Suise Wellford, Miss Bessie Upshur, Miss Kathleen Bruce, Miss Ella Binford and Miss Saily Reid Anderson.

Four little maddens dressed in white, Miss Suise McGuire, Miss Mary Tabb Crump, Miss Helen Strange and Miss Parke Taylor, will serve in the diningroom under the direction of Mrs. J. S. Wellford, Mrs. J. B. Lightfoot, Mrs. Fannic Crump Tucker and Mrs. Beverly Crump.

Debutante Reception.

Colonel and Mrs. John W. Gordon gave an elegant reception yesterday from 5 to 7 o'clock and from 9 to 11 P. M., at which their daughter, Miss Nellie Hodge Gordon, made her bow to the Richmond

which their daugnter, and which which and society world.

The Gordon home, one of the handsomest in the West End, threw wide its doors to welcome the seven hundred guests, to whom invitations had been sent. The strains of Thilow's Orchestra mingled with the hum of voices and the sound of merry laughter. Bankings of ferns on mantels and groupings of palms in halls and library made an excellent foil for the elegant gowns worn by hostesses and callers, and showed dark beside the vivid crimson of American Beauties. In the pariors the pink of Madame Testout roses obtained, while white and green was the scheme in the dining-room. Receiving with Colonel and Mrs. Gordon were: Miss Nelle Hodge Gordon, Miss Annie Pender and Miss Rebecca Daingerfield Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Pender, of Norfolk, Va., and Mrs. George L. Pender.

Assisting in the dining-room during the afternoon were: Miss Ella Wortham, Miss Mary Ball, Miss Caroline Holladay, Miss Liesa Archer, Miss Emily Gravatt, Miss Virginia Chamberlayne, Miss Ruth Hebbard.

Matinee Whist Club.

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The Matince Whist Club met for the first time this season in the home of Mrs. Peane Meanley, of No. 13 East Franklin

Street.

Among the members are: Mrs. J. Page Massie, Mrs. Marie L. Harrison, Mrs. William McKim Marriott, Miss Madge Freedley, Miss Meade Burwell, Mrs. Emmett Morton Mrs. Robert Carter Nelson, Miss Elise Watkins, Mrs. Catesby Jones

The Forget-Me-Not Circle of King's Daughters will meet on this (Friday) afternoon at 8:30 o'clock, at No. 2605 East Broad Street, from which point the start will be made for the Home for Incurables, where the regular meeting will be held at 4:30 o'clock. A full attendance is requested.

A quiet, but pretty marriage was sol-emnized at No. 1122 Bainbridge Street. Manchester, last evening at 7 o'clock, when Mrs. Higgle Pensley Snellings be-came the bride of Mr. E. G. Tatum, the Rev. C. O. Woodward, of Cown 1 Ave-nue Christian Church, officiating. The bride and groom advanced to the gitar from the rear parlor, the bride evening a modish tailored suit of Oxford gray. After the ceremony the happy couple received many congratulations from friends who assembled to witness the ceremony.

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Mr. and Mrs. Tatum left last aftermoon for a northern tour. When they
return they will reside at No. 1122 Bai
bridge Street.

To-day, at Mrs. Otway S. Allen's, No. 15 North Sixth Street, there are offered for sale many beautiful faney articles suitable for Christmas presents. Any one anxious to secure something new and dainty and also cheap, should not fall to attend. The proceeds will be spent for the Anne Bruce Page cot at the Sheltering Arms.

Personal Mention.

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Patronesses for an evening of "Old-Time Darkey Impersonation," to be given by Mary E. Bell, of Charles City pounty, in the Woman's Club, on the evening of December 10th, will be Mrs. L. R. Dashiell, Miss Claire Guillaume, Mrs. Joseph R. Anderson and Mrs, Wil-liam Todd Robins.

Mr. G. G. Gooch, of Staunton, spent yesterday in Richmond, on his way to Reanoke, Va., to visit his sons.

Miss Elizabeth Fisher attended the marriage in Staunton of Miss Margaret Johnston Foster to Mr. Tavlor McCoy which took place in Trinity Episcopal Church, December 3d.

The approach of the Christmas holidays The approach of the Christmas ioniday-brings to mind the number of young peo-ple who will return to Richmond for the fertival among them Miss Ella Ham-mond and Miss Charlotte Miller, who are in Staunton, attending school, and Miss Hattic Shields, who is at the Episcopal Irattitute, in that city.

Mrs. Hunter McGuire is with Mrs. Robert A. Gibson, her sister, in Balti-re re. Mrs. Gibson has been very ill for several days.

Miss Mary B. Burnett, of Staunton, is visiting Mrs. N. T. Cooke, in Richmond.

The dinner dance at the Westmoreland Club this evening, is engaging the attention of a large contingent of Rich mond society.



OF HUMAN INTEREST; STORIES OF TO-DAY.

The Whole Push.

Representative Hildebrant tells of a Republican meeting in Wilmington, O., his home town, where Senator Hanna was billed to speak. On the day before the meeting he met an Irishman who is a rabid Democrat, but a good fore the meeting he met friend of Hildebrant's.

"Larry," said Hildebrant, "are you coming into the meeting to-morrow?"
"No, sor," Larry replied. "I'm too

"No, sor, Larry replied. I'm cobbusy."

"But Senator Hanna is going to be here and speak."

"S nator Hanna, ch?" said Larry, "Then I'll come, I won't have another chanst soon to see the whole government."

Golf and Politics.

Israel Durham, insurance commissioner, and his friend, "Joe" Klemmer, the harbormaster, both belong to the the harbormaster, both belong to the Philadelphia Crickot Club, of Wissah ckon Hoights, and are both ardent devotees of the royal and ancient game of golf, says the Philadelphia Prosa. As a rule the harbormaster makes the round in less strokes than the Insurance commissioner, but the latter is a crafty player and takes advantage of every trick of the course to hear his friend.

and takes advantage of every trick of the course to beat his friend.

The other day in a hot match the rivals both reached the green of the famous "meadow hole" in three. The I. C. was away and it was up to him to put. He did put and his "Varden flyer" rolled to within an inch of the hole. Then the H. M. shot. His ball rolled to within a few inches of the other. The situation was thus what is known in golfing terms

a few inches of the other. The situation was thus what is known in golfing terms as a "stymic." It was the H. M.'s put again, but he was in a dilemma, because if he put for the hole he was sure to knock his opponent's ball in with his own. He stood in perplexity.
"Now, Joe," said Mr. Durham, "take a look at those balls, There you have a perfect picture of the art of politics. Always get so near the nest and in such a position that no one else can go in without taking you in with him."
And the caddies looked wise, for they will be politicians, too, some day, maywill be politicians, too, some day, may-

Rooster at Prayers.

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A special to the Chicago Inter-Ocean from Marcus Hook, Pa., relates this good story: Attending to her marketing before prayer meeting last night, a prominent woman of this borough found she still had a half hour for her devotions; so, piacing her basket, containing a prize rooster and a fine hen, in the class room, she entered the audience room, where the Rev. A. D. Henkle, the pastor, was conducting services.

The fowls got out of the basket in some way and while one of the deacons was

way and while one of the deacons was praying earnestly for the heathen of Marcus Hook and other parts of the globe, the rooster ambled in, flew on the back of the rear seat, and did his best on a vocal

the rear seat, and do his best on a vocal effort.

The sexton stole in quietly to put the birds out, but the hou made a conter rush between his legs, and he had to clutch a post for support, while the rooster, taking warning, trotted up the aisle with his owner trying to "shoo" him year apouteh for a safety grab; but him near enough for a safety grab; but the wily bird dodged beneath a seat and gave a numbe rof girls the hyserles. He finally ran into the class-room, where he let out a triumphant crow just before being shoved into the basket.

Girl Makes Farm Pay.

Miss Jennie Philips a pretty young woman, who lives between Lawrenceville and Princeton, N. J., manages a 750 acre farm, done bloomers and works in the

farm, done bloomers and works in the field with the hired help.

It is one of the sights of the country these days to see Miss Phillips mounted on the carriage of an up-to-date plow guiding her horses.

Miss Phillips has managed this farm ever since her father died, seven years ago. She is making the farm produce more money than ever before.—New York Journal

Masonic Home.

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At the annual meeting of the Masonic Home Association Wednesday, at the Masonic Temple, five members of the board were elected, as follows; J. S. Moore and T. H. Ellett, of Richmond; J. M. Crute, of Farmville; Hugh R. Smith, of Petersburg, and Ernest Williams, of Lynchburg.

An address was made by Mr. T. H. Ellett on the orphanage. The children of the Home gave a pleasant entertainment.

Half to Come Back.

Twenty-live members of the present State Senate and thirty-eight members of the present House will return to the city, and resume Legislative duties on the second Wednesday in January. This is a few less than a majority of the entire body. As it is the wave element will have a small majority, unless, they absent themselves. Hence the adjournment of the present Assembly will be little more than a recess for nearly half the membership.

Dr. Hannon to Speak.

Dr. John Hannon will preach Saturday night at the Railroad Y. M. C. A. on "Dynamite." The Rev. Mr. Fenno, of New York, will fill Dr. Hannon's pulpit Sunday night.

Clay Street League.

The Clay Street League will be conducted to-night at eight o'clock by Rev. Mark Levey, a Christian Hebrew. Mr. Levey is a Spirit-filled man and his message will be a blessing to all who come.

Mainly About People.

The Rev. William B. Williams has left for Waco, Texas, where he will visit his daughter, Nrs. B. O. Hester.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY THE VERY BEST.

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POEMS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Prof. Charles Ellot

No. 47.

BUGLE SONG.

By LORD TENNYSON.

The "Bugle Song," which we print this morning is considered one of the finest short poems in the English language. It appeared in the Princess, which Lord Tennyson published in its final form in 1855. When the Princess first appeared it scroues! a ferce storm of adverse criticism, but it is now generally regarded as one of Tennyson's best works. In writing of Tennyson, D.: Henry Van Dyke, the American prea horned, says, "lie has the power of expressing the vague, delicate, yet potent emotions, the feelings that belong to the twilight of the heart, when the glow of love an i the shadow of regret are mingical in melodices of words as simple and as magical as the chime of far-off bells or the echoes of a bugle call dying among the hills."

HE splendor falls on castle walls And snowy summits old in story; The long light shakes across the lakes, And the wild cataract leaps in glory. Blow, bugle, blow! set the wild echoes flying; Blow, bugle; answer, echoes-dying, dying, dying!

> On hark, oh hear! how thin and clear, And thinner, clearer, further going! Oh sweet and far, from cliff and scar, The horns of Elfland faintly blowing! Blow! let us hear the purple glons replying; Blow, bugle; answer echoes—dying, dying, dying!

> They faint on hill or field or river; Our echoes roll from soul to soul, And grow forever and forever. Blow, bugle, blow ! set the wild echoes flying, And answer, echoes, answer-dying, dying, dying!

O love, they die in you rich sky;



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THE MAN

ABOUT TOWN



Oh, joy! Mister John Billey and Mister Gus Bernier went out hunting, and, true to their promise, brought us back a brace

of ducks. They were the forty-seventh ones who promised us ducks this season, and up to this time we didn't get a quack.

These two worthles are now on bosom-friend list, and we hope that Mr. Billey will always have plenty of business, and that Mr. Bernier will send and get that empty box of Home beer he sent us the other day.

Another piece of good luck has come our way. We have been promised six pairs of

We have been promised six pairs of Battle Axe shoes in as many sizes, from three years old up.

The only thing we fear is that the boys may cut their feet.

With all the good luck coming our way, we wish to say to all those who have bills against us not to send them until after Christmas, as we need the money to buy a turkey and some plum pudding and pumpkin ple.

The girl at Kirkwood's has promised to save us a big piece of sweet potato pie the first chance she gets, so we rest in peace.

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We have received the following communication from the Hanover member, postmarked Washington, D. C.
The letter speaks for itself, and we submit it in full:
When the caleph of bag'd jags,
(His nobs, 'Squire Graves),
Climbed up on his perch
With a dignified wave,
And gazed on the mob

And gazed on the mob From his judicial throne, And the sargent called "Chicken!" Whose surname was Jones— The chicken's a gauger With a neat bunch of duster Attached to his chin;
With his great gift of gab
When 'twas his time to say
'Yer see, 'Squire Graves,'
It happened this way;
Me, en ther 'Gypsy,'
Whose right name is 'Jack,' Wa strol'n erlong On ther Newport News track, When ther Gypsy falls down, Like er man chock-er-block, An' yells, 'Chicken, revive me, can't stand the shock So I draws out the vial, With the mergency gill 'Cause I thought he was ill, But the sight that I seen Would shock eny man; 'Twas er roun' silver dolla 'Twas or roun' silver dol Lay'n right by his hand. Now, you know the rest.
It's the ole ancient gag—
Two bums with er doller
An' er lovely old jag. So let us down easy Don't make it but ten."
"It goes." said the 'Squire;
"Get back to the pen."

ANIMAL STORIES FOR OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

What the Lion Meant. "I wish you would teach me to roar,

said the Hippo to the Lion one day. 'Why do you wish it?" asked he. "Oh! it would be so grand, you know "Oh! it would be so grand, you know, to sit on the banks of the Nile and roar away at the passing boats, and hear all the tourists and travelers say, 'Oh! listen to the king of the jung w.'
"My but you're ambitious" replied his majesty Leo, "but I should warn you against trying it. I'm afraid it won't agree with you-have to be built along that plan, you know."
"I'll take the risk if you'll take the trouble. But what will it cost me?"
"Oh! as for the cost," said his maj-



"YOU'RE RAW ENOUGH." esty, "I'll agree to make you roar in
two days. I only charge for the cure."
"For the cure!" said the Hippo in surprise, "Why, I won't want to be cured."
I'm not so sure of that," said the

Lion.
So he set him to work practising howls, and yells, and yelps, and rearing until the poor fellow was so thred he could hardly stand and his throat was so lame he could hardly swallow.
Then he went to Mr. Lion.
"Upon your mouth," said the Lion sharply.

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The Hippo stretched wide his fluge jaws, while he grunted with pain find the tears ran down his cheeks.

"I told you I'd do it." said the Lion.
"Do what?" gasped Hippo.

"Why make you raw (rour), to be sure. You're raw enough to proceed with the Cure, and for that I shall charge you heavily, for you should have been satisfied to be as you were. Now take this cannon ball bill and go home, and try not to be an ass hereafter."

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ATTACK IS MADE ON NEGRO RACE

The Advocate Contains Bitter Assault on the Black Men.

A flery editorial on the negro question has attracted widespread attention to the current issue of the Christian Advocate, of this city.

The Advocate writes under the caption, "The Fate of Ham," and is bitter in its denuncation of the negro, "a brute,

in its denuncation of the negro, "a brute, pure and simple barely above the gorilla." It assails the policy of the South in attempting to educate the black man—"The madness of the moon: robbing the white man to ruin the black man." It declares that the system of peonage in the South made the best peasantry in the world. There are no suggestions toward a solution of the problem, which is declared to be "the greavest of the century." Of reconstruction days, the Advocate says:
"Millions of contented Africans in the South, redeemed from the horrors of cannibalism, tribal throat-cutting, fetish worship and slavery, were turned aloose, Missionaries of hate were sent among them to inflame them against white neighbors. The Anglo-Saxons in military districts, once sovereign States, were the victims of these serfs, these in dominant majority at the polis. This era of 'Reconstruction' is a repulsive page in American annals. The entire people loathe the mention of it."

REV. DR. F. T. M'FADEN TO BE HERE THIS EVENING

Rev. F. T. McFaden will preach his initial sermon at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday. He is expected to arrive from Lynchburg over the Chesapeake and Ohio at 6:30 this evening, and will be present at an entertainment given by the ladies from 6 to 10 this evening.

Concerning Dr. McFaden, the Central Presbyterian says:

The Rev. Dr. F. T. McFaden closed his ministry last Sabbath in the First Presbyterian Church, Lynchburg, Va. At the night service there was a great congregation, which filled the main auditorium and the Sunday school room adjoining, and included many of other churches. The sermon was most impressive. In taking leave of the people, he made acknowledgment of many shortcomings and some mistakes, and thanked his people and the people of Lynchburg, and of all churches, for their many kindnesses. In conclusion he said:

"I want to thank this good people for their material care, for their hearty cooperation, for their services to me and mine; the years I have spent here will ever be years of affection and the sweetest memory, and I shall ever be glad to look back upon my stay among you. I pray the Good Shepherd that He will send you one who will break the bread of life in a more efficient way; that all spiritual and material blessings may be yours. I commend you to God, and may the Lord bless you and keep you and give you peace."

UNASSESSED VOTERS MAY PAY POLL TAXES

The bill passed by the Legislature to allow qualified voters not assessed for poli taxes to pay the same has become a law without the Governor's approval.

The measure was offered in the Senate by Mr. Sale, of Norfolk, and passed by both houses. It allows persons not assessed for poli taxes, and yet who are registered voters, to obtain certificates from the court clerks and pay their taxes as though they had been assessed. The measure was offered to meet the objections of Governor Montague to the one recontly vetoed. The Governor allowed the bill to become law without his approval.



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